

V2020 Reservoir Committee Meeting

Tuesday June 19, 2018

Notes - Draft 6/25/18

Present: Stephan Miller, Cathy Garnett, Michael Ratner, David White.

Regrets: Ann LeRoyer, Lisa Fredman.

1. Determination of minute taker – David will take notes.

- 2. **Observations from around the Res** The Beach is now open for limited hours until school finishes up and high schoolers become available for the regular staffing hours. Mystic River Watershed Association (MyRWA) has held several corporate (no public) events hand harvesting water chestnuts. There is quite a growth of water chestnuts already in the north cove. There are several swans now staying at the Res, as well as the usual Canada Geese and a variety of ducks.
- 3. Review of **April** minutes The April Notes were reviewed and accepted.
- 4. **Res Master Plan updates** The consultant is now wrapping up the Master Plan and hopefully it will be out by the end of the month. We need to remember though that the Master Plan is really pretty much a wish list and funding needs to be found and there will further effort in developing the details of the work. One concern is that the needs of the swimming beach (including parking lot) will absorb all the available funding. One aspect to keep a close eye on are the replacements for any trees that are removed.
- 5. **Summer garden plans** Gardens are now pretty much self-sufficient except for weeding. May however have dry weather stress that would require watering. If so will set up a Doodle poll for that.
- 6. **Town Day** September 15 What should we do this year? We have done the herbal sachets for a number of years but that takes a number of dedicated volunteers. That may be harder to achieve this year. One idea is to have a drawing to guess the number of water chestnut seeds in a jar. Or perhaps broaden that to have other Res-related things to identify. Lisa has enthusiasm and some ideas. We need to coordinate and organize. Will need further exploration this summer.
- 7. **Workday** Saturday June 23. Gardens are in good shape, so primary need appears to be weeding and invasive removal. Am trying to get wood chips for the interior paths.
- 8. **Educational garden tour** Likely will take place in September after Town Day. Martine is involved with that group. Hope to have some plant ID signs in place for this.

Next Workday: TBD

Next Meeting: September 18. May try to schedule something before Town Day on the 15th.